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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
Hideki MATSUMOTO, et al. )  
Application No.: 09/826,171 )  
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For: DEVELOPING DEVICE, PROCESS ) March 12, 2002  
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APPARATUS )

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. These documents were recently cited in the attached European Search Report. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed.

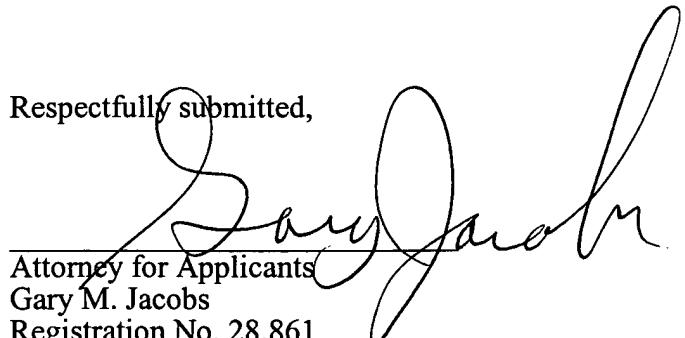
REMARKS

It is respectfully requested that the cited information be considered by the Examiner, that the next official communication indicate that such information has been considered, and that the Examiner initial the enclosed Form PTO-1449 indicating that the information listed thereon has been considered.

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